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A new year, a new pot-scape

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ARCATA – Medical cannabis patients and recreational consumers are in for a shock Jan. 1, 2018. Cannabis prices will jump as California's cannabis legalization takes effect and the state begins collecting taxes on cannabis retail sales, cultivation and manufacturing.

The average cost of an eighth of an ounce of cannabis flower at Humboldt dispensaries will increase from around \$40 after taxes to around \$45 per eighth. Dispensary prices could rise even higher as cultivators and distributors increase prices to cover the cost of permits, lab testing and track and trace programs.

Arcata updates cannabis regulations for 2018. A2

Proposition 64, the Adult Use of Marijuana Act (AUMA,) was approved by voters in 2016, directing the state to begin issuing cannabis business licenses by Jan. 1, 2018. The vote prompted passing of emergency legislation, Senate Bill 94, to combine California's Medical Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act and the AUMA regulations for cultivation, manufacturing, sales and testing under a new law known as the Medical and Adult Use of Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MAUCRSA.)

Adult recreational cannabis users will be allowed to purchase one ounce of flower at a time, while medical patients will be allowed to purchase eight ounces. In-

CANNABIS ❖ A2

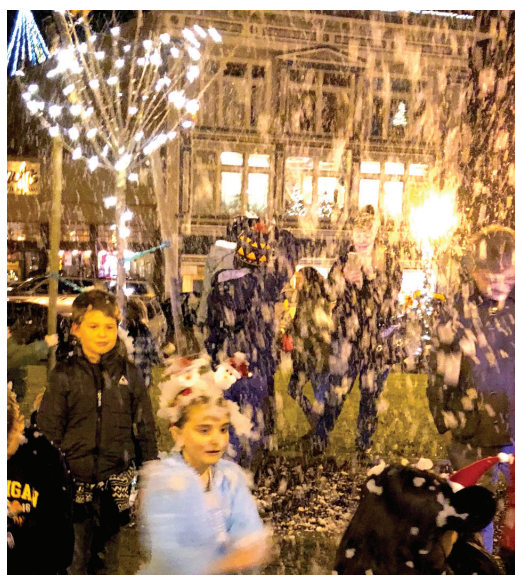


FROZEN FROLIC



WINTER SOLSTICE OPEN HOUSE Arcata Main Street warmed the freezing Plaza Friday night during its Winter Solstice Open House, with Santa, faux-snow and scores of squealing children. Above, a family takes an Old Town Carriage ride around the Plaza. Left, Barney and Brendan Fearon. Right and below, attendees merrily brave the snowstorm.

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Consultant: Overhaul Humboldt airports

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HUMBOLDT – A consultant has told Humboldt's Board of Supervisors that the county's airport system is revenue-starved, needs to be managed through a stand-alone department with a director heading it and has an unusual lack of staff.

An overhaul of the airport system is recommended in a study from the Volaire Aviation consulting firm. A key finding is that the airports division, which is now folded into the Department of Public Works, needs to be its own department with a director whose salary would range from \$120,000 to \$180,000 a year.

Volaire Managing Partner Jack Penning outlined the study's recommendations at the Dec. 19 Board of Supervisors meeting. He told supervisors that with seven unfilled positions in the airports division and two retirements, the current staffing level is 10 people.

"We have 10 people operating six airports spread across 82 miles – that is unheard of in this country for airport systems," said Penning. "That is the leanest staffing our firm has ever seen."

AIRPORTS ❖ A3

Jacoby Creek Forest to expand via new grants

Humboldt State gets new forest of its own

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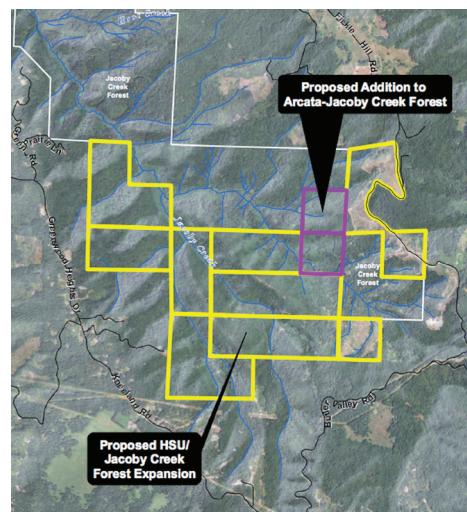
JACOBY CREEK FOREST – Arcata's "other" municipally-owned woodland, the 1,340-acre Jacoby Creek Forest, is about to expand by 80 acres thanks to a \$1,754,000 grant from the California Dept. of Fish & Wildlife.

The grant also helps make possible the acquisition of 887 acres for a new Humboldt State University-managed forest. The seller of the \$4.5 million property is California's biggest private landowner, Sierra Pacific Industries.

Help grow Arcata's forests via the Forest Fund. B3

According to Environmental Services Director Mark Andre, three more grants will be required to seal the deal – approximately \$800,000 from Cal Fire, \$226,000 from the California Resources Agency and \$1.7 million from the Wildlife Conservation Board.

Still, Andre said, "This is the linchpin.



GROWING FOREST The location of the new acquisitions.

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This gets us there."

HSU and the city will manage the properties as a conservation project, but that doesn't mean the forest lands won't be used – they'll have multiple purposes. "It buffers the Jacoby Creek Forest from fragmentation and rural estate development," Andre said. "There's a carbon component, a wildlife component, a research component, an education component."

According to a staff report, the acquisition is located at the headwaters

to Jacoby Creek and compliments the City of Arcata/Jacoby Creek Land Trust conservation plan for the watershed by adding one-and-a-half miles of protection corridor to the current eight miles of the creek, forming a protection corridor from the creek's source to the estuary on Humboldt Bay.

While there is no public access at present, Andre said that could come about in cooperation with HSU in the future as the project matures.



RON'S GONE

SLIGH GOODBYE After 27 years, Arcata Police Sgt. Ron Sligh has retired from the force. An officer since 1990, Sligh graduated CR Police Academy and Humboldt State, and served as a reserve Coast Guard officer. Sligh was honored for his service at last week's City Council meeting. Above, City Councilmember Susan Ornelas, Sligh, Vice Mayor Brett Watson and Mayor Sofia Pereira. SUBMITTED PHOTO

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Cannabis | New recreational paradigm brings taxes, price hikes

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dividuals will be allowed to grow and dry six plants per residence in a locked enclosure out of public view.

Under MAUCRSA, dispensaries will collect a 15 percent state excise tax on adult use and medicinal sales. Medicinal sales will be exempt from California's 7.5 percent sales tax.

Adult recreational cannabis will be subject to state sales tax calculated on the price after the excise tax is applied, leading to a combined tax rate of 22.5 percent for recreational cannabis.

Cultivators and manufacturers will collect a state tax of \$9.25 per dry-weight ounce or \$148 per pound of flower sold, and a tax of \$2.75 per dry-weight ounce or \$44 per pound of leftover cannabis trim.

Arcata will not create its own sales or excise taxes in order to compel black market growers to enter the legal market according to Community Development Director David Loya.

"The best way to move people out of black market and into the light of day is that you don't establish a barrier to entry, the city wants to ensure that it's as cost effective as possible to move into the white market," Loya said.

Cannabis price spikes could hurt medical patients, according to manager Bryan Willkolmm of Arcata dispensary Humboldt Patient Resource Center (HPRC.)

Many of HPRC's several thousand patients are low income and seriously or terminally ill and will struggle to afford higher

costs Willkolmm said.

"(The price increase) is a big problem," Willkomm said.

"Patients only have so much money to spend. These patients have set up monthly budgets on a fixed income to purchase a set amount of medicine," he said.

Medical patients will be especially hard hit by state limits on concentrations of THC in edibles and tinctures. Edibles will be limited to serving-sizes of 10 milligrams of THC and only 100 mg in a single package.

"That is going to be the most shocking. For patients that are accustomed to receiving a 250 mg edible for \$20, now that purchase may cost them \$40 because of the packaging [limit] the food material limit, the lab testing as well, and the product will be less potent," Willkomm said.

Patients will also be hit by lack of supply, as cannabis extract makers buy up bulk leftover trim used both in pre-rolled joints and extraction for oils used in vaporizers.

Trim will be sold through a lottery system, favoring oil manufacturers whose focus is the recreational market.

"We've already seen that there is not enough material for our pre-rolled joints because extractors are purchasing it from the farmers, extraction provides a longer shelf life, so when people have large amounts of harvest they are incentivized to go into extraction," Willkolmm said.

A concern for medical patients and recreational users alike is the possibility that a majority of cannabis products produced in California will not pass state laboratory testing.

MAUCRSA will require cannabis products to be tested for contaminants such as mold, salmonella bacteria, pesticide residue, heavy metals and solvents such as butane.

HPRC is a drop off for lab testing and sees many products failing due to pesticide contamination, according to HPRC Director Mariellen Jurkovich.

"These are people that are not expecting that they are going to fail, and they are still having huge failures," Jurkovich said.

California could end up in a situation similar to Oregon in 2016 when strict testing standards disqualified most of the state's cannabis products during the first year of legalization.

"There were literally empty shelves," Willkomm said.

Jurkovich said the dispensary is already preparing to insulate its patients against the tumultuous transition period, and is discontinuing sales of products which will likely fail to meet state standards or are produced by manufacturers that have not obtained permits

"We don't want our patients to be relying on the products that we absolutely know are not going to be available to them, we will try to find products that are comparable and will be permitted," Jurkovich said.

Despite the difficulties ahead, Jurkovich and Willkomm see the legislation as a step towards improving the quality of cannabis as a medical service and an opportunity for research into better cultivation and dispensary practices.

HPRC's neighboring dispensary The Heart of Humboldt is preparing for legalization by increasing its cultivation facilities.

Heart of Humboldt received approval from the Arcata Planning Commission in November to open a storefront retail operation in an adjoining vacant building, formerly Zamora's Furniture, located on the corner of Sixth and I streets.

Heart of Humboldt owner Danny Brownfield said the dispensary already

produces 90 percent of its flower but needs to expand to meet the demand of the adult use market.

"We don't have to, we prefer to. For complete control of cultivation, and for the quality of the end product," Brownfield said.

HPRC and the Heart of Humboldt are currently the only dispensaries permitted to operate outside of Arcata's newly renamed Cannabis Industrial Zone (CIZ) on West End Road. Both are located in the area of Sixth and I streets.

The CIZ is an industrial zone hosting a mix of manufacturing properties, saw mills and the tumbled ruins of the former Humboldt Flakeboard factory.

Cannabis businesses in Arcata must pay a \$2,500 application fee for a city Commercial Cannabis Activity permit in the CIZ and a \$4,000 annual operating fee if approved.

The city has received more than 40 applications for permits and approved about 20 of them, according to Arcata permit and code technician Edie Ros-en.

The city ban on cannabis sales in town will remain until staff completes amendments to the Municipal Code to define areas of the city where cannabis can be legally sold.

While manufacturing and cultivating can be contained in the CIZ, sales of cannabis as an accessory product such as a coffee shop selling edibles or a massage therapist offering CBD ointments will depend on how the city interprets state buffer zones.

State law requires buffers of 600 to 1,000 feet around schools, parks and other public property, creating a confusing map of intersecting circles that hamstrings city planners and complicates siting.

At a Planning Commission meeting in November, Loya said Arcata could finish amendments to the Municipal Code by late 2018.

Arcata tweaks laws for new cannabis era

Hello standardized tracking, goodbye to 'marijuana'

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ARCATA – The City Council last week introduced a pair of companion ordinances that bring Arcata into conformance with state cannabis law.

According to a staff report, the ordinances, nos. 1496 and 1497, tweak the Land Use Code and Arcata Municipal Code in various ways.

No. 1496 standardizes use of the word "cannabis" rather than "marijuana," renaming Arcata's Medical Marijuana Innovation Zone as the Cannabis Innovation Zone (CIZ).

It also allows non-medical light industrial production in the CIZ and allows Arcata's current medical dispensaries to sell non-medical cannabis.

No. 1497 unifies medical and non-medical regulations. It also includes a process for local businesses to show compliance with local regs as a precondition for priority review for a state application.

The council also authorized a contract with SICPA Product Security for "track and trace" tracking software which helps ensure commercial cannabis permittees' compliance with regulations, protecting public health and safety.

SPCA is already in use by Humboldt and Mendocino counties and the cities of Eureka and Rio Dell. According to a staff report, cultivators in the SICPA program tend to work with businesses also using the system in order to retain the appellation and branding from farm to retail. Arcata's adoption of the system eases Arcata business' access to local supply markets.

Scott Davies, who has a cannabis business on West End Road, told the council that use of SICPA will allow product from outside Arcata to enter the city with the SICPA QR code.

He said adoption of the SICPA platform "would allow for a more seamless movement of product from the wider county into the City of Arcata for processing or manufacturing," retaining key marketing characteristics.

"Consistency is what you need," agreed professional meeting-goer Kent Sawatsky. "The more people that participate in this, the better for these small growers."

The city had originally contracted with Biotrack THC to ensure seed-to-sale compliance. That system will be retained through the end of next year, during which time a state system will be introduced.

At the end of 2018, Arcata will reevaluate its tracking needs.

Miles Raymer of Northern Emeralds, a processing center located in the CIZ, says "there are a lot of reasons why this is a good idea."

His business relies on county cultivators, but use of Biotrack was causing him to lose the appellation. SICPA, he said, would eventually integrate with the state system for total unification.

Raymer thanked the council for adopting SICPA. "It's really a hinge thing for a business like mine in terms of allowing us to move forward in a practical and easy way," he said.

Bryan Willkomm of Humboldt Patient Resource Center said SICPA will somewhat increase costs for retailers.

City Manager Karen Diemer said SICPA participation is voluntary for retailers, and that the eventual goal is to have a single, unified tracking system.


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IN CASE YOU WERE WONDERING Emma Dabill of Laurel Tree Elementary, below, drew the winning entries in Arcata Main Street's Arcata Holiday Shopping Spree last Friday. Winners were Michele Palazzo for \$300, Alexander Kanfner for \$100 and Karen Roberts for \$100. And in case you were wondering about the faux snow, left, it's pro-grade, non-toxic and FDA-approved. Right, AMS's Jeanette Todd refills the soapy snow juice during Friday night's Winter Solstice Open House. PHOTOS BY KLH | UNION

LOST IN THE WOODS

The Humboldt County Sheriff's Office received a call for help around 10:41 a.m. Friday, Dec. 22 from a man who said he was lost somewhere between Blue Lake and Willow Creek. The man told dispatchers that he had been in the woods for two days looking for a lost dog and was injured. Deputies were able to pinpoint the man's location to a wooded area off of Burnt Stump Lane near Fieldbrook. The Sheriff's Posse was called to help locate and extricate the man. He was then transported to a local hospital for injuries to his back and ribs. The Sheriff's Office would like to thank the Sheriff's Posse, Fieldbrook Fire, Blue Lake Fire and Arcata-Mad River Ambulance for assisting with this search and rescue.

Vandalism and what appears to be gang fights near Pierson Park in McKinleyville have spurred suggestions ranging from housing a caretaker to increasing lighting. Problems have become so severe that an evening meeting Nov. 21 attracted more than 30 people.

— The Union, Nov. 30, 1995

AT&T responds to outage criticism

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HUMBOLDT — Representatives of AT&T explained the circumstances of recent outages to Humboldt County's Board of Supervisors and described the company's efforts to prevent future service losses.

The company updated its progress on preventing Internet and phone service outages at the Dec. 19 supervisors meeting.

AT&T has faced criticism for being prone to regional service outages. The most recent one was seen last October, when wildfires burned fiber optic cables in multiple areas, causing a 48-hour service blackout.

Rhunette Alums, AT&T's area director of external affairs, said the company is working on expanding the "diversity" of broadband cables, including extension of north-south lines from Eureka to Trinidad.

The other work will "provide some redundancy and will reduce the opportunity for a cut that will take you totally off the air," said Alums. She added that the work will bring about

"significant changes that will improve Internet experiences, accessibility and survivability."

She said that people have asked her why outages "along Highway 36" affect AT&T while services from other providers are unaffected.

"We need to have more equipment placed along Highway 36 that will allow the opportunity for that equipment to talk to each other, talk to our systems, so we can continue to isolate issues," said Alums.

The work she'd previously described will "complete that loop so there is no opportunity for an outage at all," she continued.

There have been reports of AT&T offering better service resiliency to customers who are willing to pay for it. Asked about that by Supervisor Mike Wilson, Alums said that during the wildfires, service restoration that delivered the most widespread effects was prioritized.

"It wasn't predicated on who paid for it and who didn't, it was where can we get the maximum amount

of restored coverage for people as fast as we could," she continued.

There were also communication and public awareness issues during the outages. Supervisors joined Sheriff Billy Honsal in calling for outage mapping and specific identification of areas that lose service.

During a discussion last October, Honsal and some supervisors faulted AT&T, saying that a fiber optic redundancy or back-up connection is available but AT&T hasn't connected to it. Supervisors were apparently satisfied with AT&T's update on its resiliency expansion work, however.

Supervisor Rex Bohn

joked that much of the dissatisfaction with losing service had to do with "Facebook withdrawal."

But during a public comment session, Sean McLaughlin, the executive director of Access Humboldt, said the AT&T situation is related to the company's legislative influence.

"I had Facebook all day, Rex," he said, referring to the outage period. "Community anchor institutions who are really critical – and not just for Facebook – were disproportionately impacted by this and that's really because of the legacy of regulation and market and because AT&T is writing the laws that will get adopted by the legislature."

Gregg Foster, executive director of the Redwood

Region Economic Development Commission, credited AT&T's fiber optic diversity work but advanced a commonly-asked question: "What is the barrier to getting the Route 36 redundant line fully implemented?"

Alums said questions raised during public comment would be researched and answered later.

Wilson noted that the county has service contracts with AT&T. He said they'll probably be reviewed, particularly regarding emergency response communication.

"We'll have to take a look at that and make sure that the commitments being made by those contracts are being upheld," he continued.

Airport | Wordy airport name criticized

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He added that the county hasn't had an airports manager since 2013 and "that is also unprecedented."

The short thrift on management and staff leads to long response times when hangar tenants and airline customers have questions, said Penning.

The county's Aviation Enterprise Fund has been losing money for years and has a deficit running in the hundreds of thousands of dollars. Penning said the division's budget has been "cut to the bone" and the system needs new sources of revenue.

He added that although hiring an airport director would be costly, doing new things such as installing a solar power array at the county's main airport and raising daily parking fees by a dollar would generate up to \$400,000 a year in new revenue.

Bringing airport system staffing up to 17 positions is also recommended but Penning said it will take several years to develop the income to enable it.

Other recommendations include re-structuring the county's Aviation Advisory Committee, investing in air service marketing and recruitment and improving the county's air cargo processing by moving it from Murray Field Airport to the California Redwood Coast Humboldt County Airport IN McKinleyville.

The name of the main airport was created by supervisors in 2013 and recently went into effect. It has been ridiculed for its verbal volume.

Penning said the most important marketing recommendation is to change the name back to what it was, The Arcata-Eureka Airport.

He said in the course of surveying 550 locals on

airport service, none of the respondents knew the airport's name.

"The new name is not resonating at all – in fact, we had more comments saying that we were fools for ever thinking it would resonate than we had comments saying people knew it," Penning added.

But Supervisor Rex Bohn, who pushed for inclusion of as many tourist-oriented buzz words as possible in the new name, said referring to the airport as "The Arcata-Eureka Airport in McKinleyville" is also confusing.

During a public comment session, Tim Callison, who chairs the county's Aviation Advisory Committee, said public awareness of airport service issues needs to be raised.

"In all reality, the community doesn't realize the importance of the airport system until it affects them, whether it be blood, mail, your Amazon pack-

age for Christmas – those are all very important," he continued.

Callison encouraged supervisors to pursue Voltaire's recommendations.

Department of Public Works Director Tom Mattson said he hasn't been able to fulfill the role of airport manager and recommended that the county hire an interim manager while recruitment for a director is done.

Supervisors kick-started the airport system reorganization by directing administrative staff to develop plans for creating an airports department, establish an airports director position, restructure the advisory committee and appoint an interim airports manager as soon as possible.

Staff was also directed to identify the county's options for funding the first phase of changes.

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• **Thursday, December 14 3:21 a.m.** A gent who looked to be pushing 60 attained total, if short-lived dominance over the little island of vending machines outside the hospital ER. Woe betide any passersby who unwittingly roved into his alcohol-hazed sphere of effluence, as they suddenly found themselves pelted with nonsensical hostility. A police officer moved him along.

3:47 p.m. A woman on Giuntoli Lane at Airstream Avenue struck another woman with a pine cone, a seedy precursor to a punch in the face. The cone-wielder was arrested on an assault charge.

10:17 p.m. A woman FaceTiming with her friend wished to report an assault in Miami. She was given the number for that city’s police department.

• **Friday, December 15 7:20 a.m.** A black bunny ran loose in a downtown parking lot, its longevity at serious peril in the cruel, uncaring urban pavenmentscape.

8:17 a.m. A shoeless man with a backpack lingered at 17th and G streets, attempting conversation with children going to school. He was moved along.

10:15 a.m. A man allowed his canine companion to run off leash at Klopp Lake, enjoying communion with the very nature and wildlife values the unleashed pooch was degrading. Because as

usual, *his* dog would *never*.

11:03 a.m. A brown RV transmitted its tawny tint onto the street in Todd Court by releasing the contents of its holding tank there.

11:13 a.m. A woman at a Valley West motel said her phone had been stolen a week previous. She called her number and some guy answered, saying he had just bought it.

• **Saturday, December 16 10:51 a.m.** A generator-powered electric-style guitar fomented fierce fuzz-tones on Iverson Avenue that mere walls could never block.

2 p.m. A woman received a letter in the mail full of personal information about her. It had been sent from Oakland, and she suspected an ex-boyf who’d harassed her two months ago.

4:15 p.m. A man made sexually harassing remarks to customers and employees at a Valley West gas station. He was advised against trespassing.

6:54 p.m. A man outside a Northtown burrito dispensary harassed passing women, then manfully scampered, eluding justice.

• **Sunday, December 17 1:41 p.m.** It was a typical Plaza afternoon, with those zany ’zoids smoking the pot, drinking the booze and yelling amid fleets of romp-

ing dogs. An officer moved the herd of howling helions along.

2:18 p.m. An Alliance Road mini-mart discovered an assortment of small juice bottles full of hypodermic needles to the rear of the store.

5:38 p.m. Graffiti proclaiming “SCUM R U” was scrawled on an S Street school, though it was likely autobiographical in nature.

• **Monday, December 18 6:53 a.m.** Devlin Court mailboxes were gutted, with opened Christmas cards left littering the ground by some yuletide-challenged slithy tove.

7:51 a.m. Camping Plazoids furnished their vicinity with discards, and got a talking to.

1:19 p.m. Some sort of laundry room contretemps on Alliance Road resulted in hair pulling, some pushing and even wet clothing mistreated by being “ripped” from a washing machine.

5:56 p.m. Someone dropped objects unknown from the pedestrian overpass onto freeway traffic below, never a good idea.

• **Tuesday, December 19 1:43 a.m.** A taxicab struck a deer at L.K. Wood Boulevard and Plaza Avenue, partly crumpling the taxi. The deer wasn’t located.

7:59 a.m. A Chestnut Place resident was concerned about some woman who had a large dog banging on her door and yelling at her through the window.

9:55 a.m. A crap-camp on O Street was growing in breadth and majesty, and with it the inevitable strewn garbage. This due to the unwritten rule that stuff packed in absolutely cannot be taken back out, except by city workers, eco-volunteers or student biology classes.

11:24 a.m. A man and woman sat in a vehicle in Courtyard Circle, volleys of garbage launching forth from within.

2:09 p.m. After being followed home from the hospital by a tailgater, a man got out and approached a woman’s car with a sledgehammer.

2:38 p.m. A trio of camo-clad louts befouling a newish Plaza restaurant were asked to leave, said no, but then did.

6:45 p.m. Another intran-

sigent interloper refused to depart a Valley West gas station, but at the mention of cops, skedaddled.

8:09 p.m. A man in a bathrobe wandered in and out of traffic on Giuntoli Lane.

9:21 p.m. The driver of a White Ford F-150 put on an impressive display, or not, in a Uniontown parking lot. There, the driver did laps, spun the truck out and peed triumphantly upon the asphalt. His merriment ended with an arrest.

• **Wednesday, December 20 5:35 a.m.** A hysterical person at the transit center reported that someone there was “bugging,” but could not elaborate on just what that term of arthropod art was referring to.

9:48 a.m. A more activist and interventionist version of Giuntoli Lane’s bathroom guy also played in traffic on South G Street. There, a beanie-topped man clad in all black and a beard to match walked down the middle of the roadway, jumping and yelling at passing cars.

3:46 p.m. A Sunny Brae resident found a note on his front door accusing him of stealing a chainsaw.

• **Thursday, December 21 7:24 a.m.** Creative parking on Aloha Way involved four vehicles squatting in a red zone.

9:14 a.m. A man with a Mohawk hairdo stole a Die-Hard jump starter from a downtown hardware store.

9:55 a.m. A Bayside Road business reported the theft of a chainsaw from a vehicle, with the incident captured on video.

10:57 a.m. A parking lot loiterer in Valley West got in some practice pulling on car door handles.

1:57 p.m. Someone on East 12th Street discovered a handy parking spot, right in front of the mailboxes. They returned to their vehicle to find a ticket under the windshield wiper.

5:48 p.m. A red Ford truck blocked mailboxes at Seventh and H streets.

6:59 p.m. His ex-girlf stole his tools, then impersonated him online.

8:10 p.m. An unseen muckspout howled obscenities at Foster and Western avenues.

10:12 p.m. A strawberry-haired blith kid yelled it up at 17th and H streets, and was arrested.

Truck stolen, crashed

MAD RIVER UNION

BLUE LAKE – On Wednesday, Dec. 20 around 3 p.m. the Humboldt County Sheriff’s Office (HCSO) received a report that a silver 2008 Dodge Ram truck with a firearm inside had just been stolen near the 100 block of Gely Street in Blue Lake.

HCSO deputies, with the help of the California Highway Patrol, were quickly able to locate the vehicle. It was found unoccupied, crashed in a ditch on Blue Lake Boulevard between Acacia Drive and Raymar Avenue. The firearm was recovered inside of the vehicle.

Sheriff’s deputies are looking for the suspect who is described as a white male adult, 6 feet, 2 inches tall and 250 pounds, wearing dark clothing.

Anyone with information regarding this case or related criminal activity is asked to call the Sheriff’s Office at (707) 445-7251 or the Sheriff’s Crime Tip Line at (707) 268-2539.

Attempted torso stabber sought

MAD RIVER UNION

FIELDS LANDING –The Humboldt County Sheriff’s Office is looking for a man wanted for attempted murder in Fields Landing.

Sheriff’s deputies responded to St. Joseph Hospital on Wednesday, Dec. 20 at around 10:30 p.m. for a report of a stabbing victim. The victim told deputies that he and the suspect, Lee Allen Conoboy, 23, were both renters at a residence on the 6000 block of West Avenue in Fields Landing.

Around 10 p.m. Wednesday, the victim and Conoboy reportedly got into a verbal altercation, and Conoboy allegedly stabbed him. The victim sustained a non-life threatening stab wound to his torso.

When deputies later arrived at the residence, Conoboy could not be located.

Conoboy is described as a white male adult, approximately 6 feet, 1 inch tall, 135 pounds with short dirty-blond hair and blue eyes. Conoboy is possibly armed.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Sheriff’s Office.



Lee Allen Conoboy

Be prepared in 2018

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

HUMBOLDT – The new year is a great time for setting resolutions. This year, consider adding emergency preparedness to your list.

Massive flooding in Texas and Florida, and destructive fires throughout California serve as reminders that disasters are never far away. The occurrence of a natural disaster in Humboldt County is a matter of when, not if.

Getting fully prepared might sound daunting, but a few steps will go a long way toward success.

The main focus of emergency preparedness is preparing a family plan and assembling provisions and supplies. An emergency preparedness plan helps ensure families know how to respond to disasters, and how to be of most help to each other and their communities.

Start plans by discussing these questions with family and friends: How will you receive emergency alerts and warnings? What’s your evacuation route? How will you communicate with your family if you become separated or communications systems fail?

Once you’ve answered these questions, start gathering supplies and provisions that could keep your family fed and hydrated for at least two weeks. One gallon of water per person daily is recommended. An adequate supply of non-perishable food should be kept in a cool, dry location. Don’t forget to plan for pets.

In addition to storing food and water, residents should also have an emergency supplies kit. Most kits include flashlights, batteries, first aid necessities, lighters, sleeping bags and medications.

“The first step is the hardest, but you can turn it into a fun family project that involves everyone,” said Linda Nellist, Humboldt Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) lead instructor. CERT is an all-volunteer coalition dedicated to training community team members and educating the public about emergency response.

“While you’re watching New Year’s Day football games, you and your family members can use a checklist to hunt for disaster supplies during commercial breaks and begin building that kit,” Nellist said. “You’ll be incredibly surprised how easy it is to collect important items. You already have many of them, they’re just spread out around the house.”

Visit ready.gov, where downloadable emergency preparation plans are available, as well as a full list of supply kit recommendations.

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1. Fleur-de-___

4. Flow back

7. Pierre’s mom

11. Tortellini, for example

13. Thirteen Popes

15. Like the Sahara

16. Story of a swan

19. Sports buildings

20. Planning skill

21. ___ Thérèse of Lisieux

23. Half and half

24. Catch sight of

27. Minute

30. ___ Barrymore

34. Portion

36. Pharmacy purchases

38. Matador’s encouragement

39. Most horrible

40. Lyricist Gershwin

41. Committed a crime

43. Nettle

44. Sultan’s women

46. Subdued

47. Vegetarian’s no-no

49. V-shaped rampart

51. Young and others

52. Part of every yr.

54. All ___; ready

56. Oases for the thirsty

61. Göteborg residents

66. Novel with a WWI setting

68. Michigan, for one

69. Lose one’s footing

70. Word with well or case

71. Vexed

72. Patriots’ goals, for short

73. Cpl.’s superior

4. Actor Ron ___

5. Places for roses

6. Struggle

7. ___ milk

8. Tribal member

9. Marriage symbol

10. Not at ease

11. School carnival planning org.

12. Muslim officials

14. Torah, for one

17. Nav. transports

18. Home for Dorothy and Aunt Em: abbr.

22. Kingdom

24. Coast

25. Jacket type

26. Periods of time: abbr.

28. Made public

29. Mountain animals

31. Like a mansion

32. French pronouns

33. Unwanted growth

34. Sink’s alternative

35. Afr. nation

37. Concorde, familiarly

42. Part of the title of an X-O game

45. Indicators

48. ___ and feathered

50. Egg container

53. Macabre author

55. Pairs

56. Indonesian island

57. Off in the distance

58. Dissolute man

59. Dissolve

60. Moved smoothly

62. Devours

63. Haul

64. Rising time?

65. Division of a former nation: abbr.

67. CD forerunners

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OPINION

Saving the lighthouse

At this blessed time of year, when peace on earth, good will toward all humans, and well wishing expressions are exchanged, the 104-year-old community service organization, Trinidad Civic Club, finds itself in a push-me-pull-you situation reminiscent of Dr. Dolittle’s tale. The future of the tiny piece of land, 45’ x 50’, on which the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse rests, in is the middle of an unhealthy civic storm.

The Tsurai Ancestral Society is concerned about the Trinidad Civic Club’s plans for the lighthouse and so is the Yurok Tribe. The California Coastal Conservancy thinks it has an easement on the parcel, which the Civic Club emphatically disputes. The California Coastal Commission has interceded, with no reconciliation over any concerns, for over five years while appeal hearings about a simple grounds improvement and beautification project have gone on and on and on.

The City of Trinidad is working with everyone. The Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria has been supportive of Civic Club efforts. The Trinidad Civic Club desires four things: respect for two sacred sites, the Memorial Lighthouse and the Tsurai Village; access down the Axel Lindgren Jr. Trail to Old Home Beach; safety on its grounds, and beautification of the site where thousands of visitors, newlyweds, families of people whose names are engraved at the site, vacationers, and local residents go to watch the sun rise or to take a photo of one of Humboldt County’s most iconic places.

The Memorial Lighthouse was built in 1949, when the 1912 Trinidad Head Lighthouse Fresnel oil lens, and the 1898 two-ton bronze fog bell, were decommissioned by the U.S. Coast Guard and given to Trinidad Civic Club for stewardship. Land was deeded to the Trinidad Civic Club by Earl and Neva Hallmark to build a lighthouse replica.

Earl and Neva were present at the dedication, filmed in color by Robert Baker, in June 1949. The short film can be viewed at Trinidad Museum by request. The Hallmarks watched the construction and were clearly pleased with the results of their generosity. In the construction, the grounds were disrupted. In the language of one of the geologists hired by the Civic Club, “there is no native soil” where construction occurred.

The Trinidad Civic Club was given public notice at a City Council meeting this year that the lighthouse was in danger of slipping down the hillside.

The City parking lot and bluff to the west of the lighthouse already had slipped. The Civic Club took action, hiring engineering geologists, consultants, contractors and preservationists, of all stripes, to try to figure out how to save the lighthouse.

At one of the meetings on Sept. 20, 2017, to which all stakeholders were invited, the Civic Club was told that there is aversion to having a lighthouse in Trinidad because tribes are reminded of a post Gold Rush time when Indian culture changed dramatically.

Although it has been suggested by stories in local media that other sites were considered for moving the lighthouse, no offers have been made to the Civic Club and the matter of safety for the lighthouse and its visitors became urgent.

Whatever one’s views are on Manifest Destiny, there were very good things, and some not good things that occurred. Some citizens are happy to be in America’s melting pot of diverse people from here, there and everywhere.

I won’t bring up, well, yes I will, that my German Mennonite fore-bearers were forced from their homes because of their religion post-Reformation. There are sad stories of displacement and cruelty and discouragement from around the world. And there are some pretty wonderful tales of integration and reconciliation too. Is it not America’s gift that we can, if we choose to, lift ourselves out of the past? An emergency permit to move the lighthouse to the east on to a concrete foundation was issued on Dec. 7. This is an entirely separate matter from the over five-year old appeal regarding the 2012 grounds improvements. The Trinidad Civic Club’s plans are to go forward to preserve the lighthouse, thus avoiding the catastrophe that might occur if it toppled down the bluff near the historic Tsurai Village site. The best practical place on the site to move the lighthouse has been identified. The idea that the lighthouse or the bell might have contributed to destabilization over the years is ill-informed. At the Dec. 13, 2017 City Council meeting, the Council was reminded that in a May

LIGHTHOUSE ♦ A6

♦ SINGLE PAYER HEALTH CARE

Wood performs dog & pony show for supes

Senate Bill 562, now stuck in the Rules Committee of the Assembly, provides single payer health care coverage for all Californians.

On Dec. 5, Assemblymember Jim Wood presented to the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors a highly promoted, over-staged performance designed to sway political opinion to distract attention away from the uselessness of the Select Committee on Health Care Delivery and his role in delaying Senate Bill 562.

Jim Wood is pretending to do something that he wants people to think is important when the Select Committee on Health Care has no power to legislate a bill.

The Board of Supervisors acted unjustly when Wood made his annual presentation. Wood made a deliberate statement regarding his perception for the lack of support for SB 562 and took ample time to answer questions from an eager Board of Supervisors who thought the issue of health care had significant importance. However, the Board of Supervisors has denied the request of local advocates in October to put SB 562 on the agenda for an open discussion. Thus, Jim Wood had the opportunity to defend his position while the community has been denied an open discussion on the merits of a single payer health care system.

While Wood talks about supporting universal health care and his commitment to creating a “health-care-for-all coverage system,” he has not come out and directly supported single payer health care which eliminates the insurance companies. Single payer health care is a system in which the government, rather than private insurers, pays for all health care costs. Single payer eliminates the first 33 cents on every dollar spent for health care that goes to the insurance coverage system.

The health care system is in crisis. The cost of health care in America is two-and-a-half times that of the rest of the western developed nations. Americans now spend 20 percent of GDP on health care costs compared to 10 percent for the other western developed nations.

Health insurance premiums have risen by 12.68 percent per year for the last 16 years. Wages have remained stagnant while consumers are paying a greater share of the premiums out of their own pockets which reflects a wage decrease for most earners.

Covered California rates are expected to rise by 33 percent in 2018.

Wood expresses doubt about how to pay for single payer health care but the fact is that the Political Economy Research Institute at the University of Massachusetts conducted an “Economic Analysis of the Healthy California Single-Payer Health Care Proposal (SB-562).” The study finds that the proposed single payer system provides decent health care while reducing the net overall costs.

The system proposes two new taxes to generate the revenue required to offset the loss of private insurance spending: a gross receipts tax of 2.3 percent for businesses with an exemption for

the first \$2 million and a sales tax of 2.3 percent with exemptions on essential goods including housing, utilities and food.

Keep in mind that consumers will not be paying premiums, deductibles, or copayments for their health care. Within this proposed tax framework, single payer health care can achieve both lower costs and greater equity for both families and business of all sizes.

Wood expressed concerns on how rural communities would be impacted by SB 562. The truth is, the rural communities such as Humboldt County will benefit. Keep in mind that single payer health care creates a system in which all health providers will be paid the same amount regardless of the age or income of the patient including Medicare, Medi-Cal, and Medicaid payments.

Health providers will no longer have to decide which type of client they are serving nor where they are serving the client. The cost of health care will be transparent. In addition, health care and prescription drug costs will be negotiated to be fair and reasonable across the board while taking the greed out of the health insurance system to generate higher salaries and more profit.

Single payer health care is good for economic growth in Humboldt County. SB 562 is good for business and it is good for the consumer. It eliminates the employer based health care system. With the exemption of the 2.3 percent gross receipts tax on small employers, they no longer carry the burden of providing health care for their employees or the absence of an employee missing extended work due to the inability to resolve health care issues due to the inability to afford and access health care.

As small employers grapple with the increased cost of wages, it relieves the pressure of health care costs and allows the business to grow and prosper. Single payer health care is also good for the employee because their health care is not tied to their employer and allows the consumer to be flexible in changing jobs without the threat of lost health care due to the inability to pay for Cal-COBRA with the temporary loss of income.

It is clear Governor Brown is unlikely to sign the bill. Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon shelved the bill in the Rules Committee to give shelter to the democrats not to proceed with SB 562 in 2018 so as to avoid the conflict with Governor Brown.

The Democratic Party has been on record for over a decade in support of a single payer system and has endorsed SB 562.

Humboldt Progressive Democrats formally admonish Jim Wood for acting in opposition to SB 562, for failing to take any steps to move this legislation forward, for failing to consult with his constituents about his opposition to this legislation, and for ignoring the clear will of the Democratic Party, community members, and stake holders regarding SB 562.

Winchell Dillenbeck is a McKinleyville resident and a member of Health Care for All – Humboldt.



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OPINION
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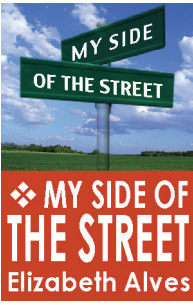
It’s been a rough year in Humboldt County and beyond

Netflix is heavily promoting a new original series titled “Dark,” which is exactly what I don’t need this time of year. The short daylight hours already have me fighting to stay upbeat, and the news isn’t much better. It’s hard to not be embarrassed by the antics of the person in the Oval Office.

As powerful men in public life fall from their perches, I suspect they have the Grop-er-in-Chief to thank. His election elevated the outrage against men who can’t or won’t keep their pants zipped and their hands to themselves. The speed with which some of the accused are being axed suggests their misconduct was not a secret to their superiors.

We haven’t seen much in the way of revelations locally, but that’s probably because there aren’t many women here powerful enough to speak out. There’s some irony in the story of notorious Eureka slumlord Floyd Squires, whom the city has been fighting in court for years. One of his rat-infested properties burned down in August.

Arson suspect Katie Rae Yocum was allegedly angry at him because he promised her an apartment in exchange for oral sex, then reneged on his end of the bargain. The city has been nibbling away at his empire,



condemning a property here and demolishing another there, but she appears to have taken slum clearance into her own hands. Maybe “powerful woman” is just another way of saying “nothing left to lose.”

One of the few powerful local women is HSU President Lisa Rossbacher, who recently passed on an opportunity to end the school’s intercollegiate football program. I acknowledge there are many alumni and community members who are deeply devoted to the team, but I am also an HSU graduate, and I disagree. The program is ruinously expensive in financial terms.

More importantly, football damages brains. Not only should the university focus on its primary mission of education, but it should disassociate itself from a sport which ruins lives. If there is any money to spare, it should be used to restart the nursing program and help train desperately needed health professionals.

Meanwhile, at the court house, the county supervisors managed to hire possibly the worst qualified public defender in the nation. The more that was revealed about David Marcus and his slimy background, the harder they defended him. Humboldt truly had something to be grateful for when he finally resigned on Thanksgiving Eve.

The year was seriously divisive in Ar-

cata, where events sparked accusations of racism. The death of David Josiah Lawson, an African American Humboldt State student, at an alcohol-soaked house party in April split the community. The case against a white McKinleyville man accused by many people at the party unraveled in court, when it turned out there was not much admissible evidence against him.

The case continues to be stalled, even though an outside investigator has been added.

It’s easy to see how African American and Hispanic students from elsewhere in the state feel culture shock when they arrive here. They may have been used to communities where many people look a lot like them; Arcata is a horse of a different haircut.

Still, it is difficult to see them speak and act as if they invented the experience of racism in Humboldt County. Without disrespect, the local Native people have much more to complain about. Which brings us to the Arcata Plaza.

The plaque commemorating the historical designation of the Jacoby’s Storehouse is clearly racist and should be altered or removed. The reference to “Indian troubles” is especially abhorrent. It’s hard to see it any other way.

Public statues honoring men whose actions are no longer considered honor-

able have been in the news a lot recently. Many cities have removed heroes of the Confederacy, and sometimes protests and counter-protests have complicated things. This statue has been targeted several times in recent memory, and it doesn’t help the complaints are often led by residents who are new to the community.

When I attended HSU, just being from elsewhere was considered an offense in Arcata, and it was a long time before that changed.

I withheld my business for a long time from places I had been treated badly as a student. Most of them have now been washed away by the tides of change.

It might help to heal some of the wounds to remove McKinley from the Plaza. It would certainly offend some people, too. Change is hard – it hurts – and there is no way around that. Just ask those who live near the proposed new student housing complex.

For now, I’m hoping 2018 cuts us a few breaks. I know I could use some, and I suspect I’m not alone.

Elizabeth Alves notes the concept of a number on a calendar representing a new start is silly, but comforting. Comments and suggestions are welcome care of the Union or to mysideofthestreet@gmail.com.

Ganfield busted again

MAD RIVER UNION
MCKINLEYVILLE — A McKinleyville man who has been arrested multiple times and has been in and out of jail was once

again arrested last week in McKinleyville after a short car chase and foot chase.

At about 5:13 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 21, a Humboldt County Sheriff's dep-

uty observed wanted felon Robert Dale Ganfield Jr., 28, enter a black Toyota Solara on Betty Court in McKinleyville. The deputy began to follow Ganfield, who later made a U-turn and fled at a high rate of speed. After a short pursuit, Ganfield attempted to turn onto Fisher Avenue and crashed into a wooden fence.

He then fled on foot through Hiller Park towards the dog park area.

Deputies pursued Ganfield on foot. Ganfield attempted to hide within blackberry bushes nearby.

The California Highway Patrol and the Arcata Police Department were called to assist in apprehending Ganfield.

Arcata Police Department's K9 Baron was deployed and quickly located Ganfield, who sustained a minor bite injury to his buttocks.

Ganfield was arrested for a felony warrant and on suspicion of evading a peace officer, obstructing or resisting a peace officer and violation of probation.



STUDENT VETS BOUND FOR SAN ANTONIO

HEADED TO TEXAS The Humboldt State Student Veterans Association (SVA) had raised funds to send nine members to the SVA convention, NatCon2018, in San Antonio, Texas. But the California State University system prohibits use of funds for travel to states that don't prohibit discrimination against LGBTQ citizens, and Texas (along with Alabama, Kansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Dakota and Tennessee) is on the list. American Legion Post 274 heard about the problem, and took the matter to the Lost Coast Chapter of the Chief Petty Officers Association. The association then created a permanent scholarship to cover annual student attendance at the SVA convention, kicking down \$2,200 for two students to make this year's trip. Above, left to right, Legionnaire Phil Irvine; Chief Sean Culler, president, Lost Coast Chapter Chief Petty Officers Association; convention attendees Matt Aldrete and Myra Hallman; Master Chief Katt Brown, U.S. Coast Guard Sector Humboldt Bay; and American Legion Post 274 Commander Jeff Sterling.

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Supervisors OK Marcus resignation pact

Daniel Mintz

MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT — Humboldt County supervisors have approved a resignation agreement with David Marcus, the county's controversial former public defender.

Approved at the Dec. 19 Board of Supervisors meeting, the agreement's main provision is a severance payment equal to two months of salary.

The action caps a hiring saga that's seen as one of the board's most conspic-

uous mistakes.

Marcus resigned last month after a turbulent stint as the county's public defender. Hired by supervisors last February, Marcus immediately faced controversy and objections to his appointment by local defense attorneys.

Complaints initially focused on the composition of a hiring panel that included law enforcement officials but no defense attorneys.

Motives for hiring Marcus were questioned, as the

county's former public defender and the office's staff were surprised that supervisors didn't pick a more qualified candidate from within the office.

A main issue was Marcus' level of experience. A lawsuit filed last March by Patrik Griego, a defense attorney with the Eureka-based Janssen Malloy LLP law firm, alleged that Marcus was unqualified for the post because he doesn't meet a key state requirement related to California courtroom experience.

The Public Defender's Office staff concurred, sending letters to the Board of Supervisors questioning Marcus' competence. Several of the office's key attorneys resigned and remaining staff was at odds with him.

At one point Eureka police responded to a confrontation between Marcus and one of his employees.

Supervisors defended Marcus' hiring, however, and issued a statement last April following a closed session meeting with him. The meeting "reaffirmed our commitment to Mr. Marcus as the county's Public Defender," the statement read.

The resignation agreement states that it's in the county's and Marcus's "best interests to sever their employment relationship on an amicable basis."

Lighthouse

❖ FROM A5

23, 2012 memo to the Mayor, the Trinidad Civic Club expressed what the Club thought were common goals for all stakeholders in tearing down the literal and figurative fence barrier years ago: "1, remove an unsafe and unattractive fence barrier below the Memorial Lighthouse; 2, beautify the grounds; 3, preserve and protect the site from erosion as much as is humanly possible within the limits of a meager Trinidad Civic Club budget; 4, provide safe and graceful access to the Axel Lindgren Memorial trail; and 5, respect the public bluff site for the people who are commemorated at the site and for the people who lived at the village site before."

A Tsurai Ancestral Society member was present during the cordial discussion about this on February 18, 2012.

Nothing has changed in the commitment of Trinidad Civic Club to these important considerations. But the site has changed. Now there is an emergency. The Club goals remain the same.

Patti Fleschner is the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse Preservation Committee Chairman of the Trinidad Civic Club.

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& Psychedelvis the Rounders

Janine Volkmar
MAD RIVER UNION

TRINIDAD – The lead singer makes his entrance, dressed as Elvis, but wait, there are elements of David Bowie and something else. This is Elvis as you never imagined him and the band is Psychedelvis and the Rounders.

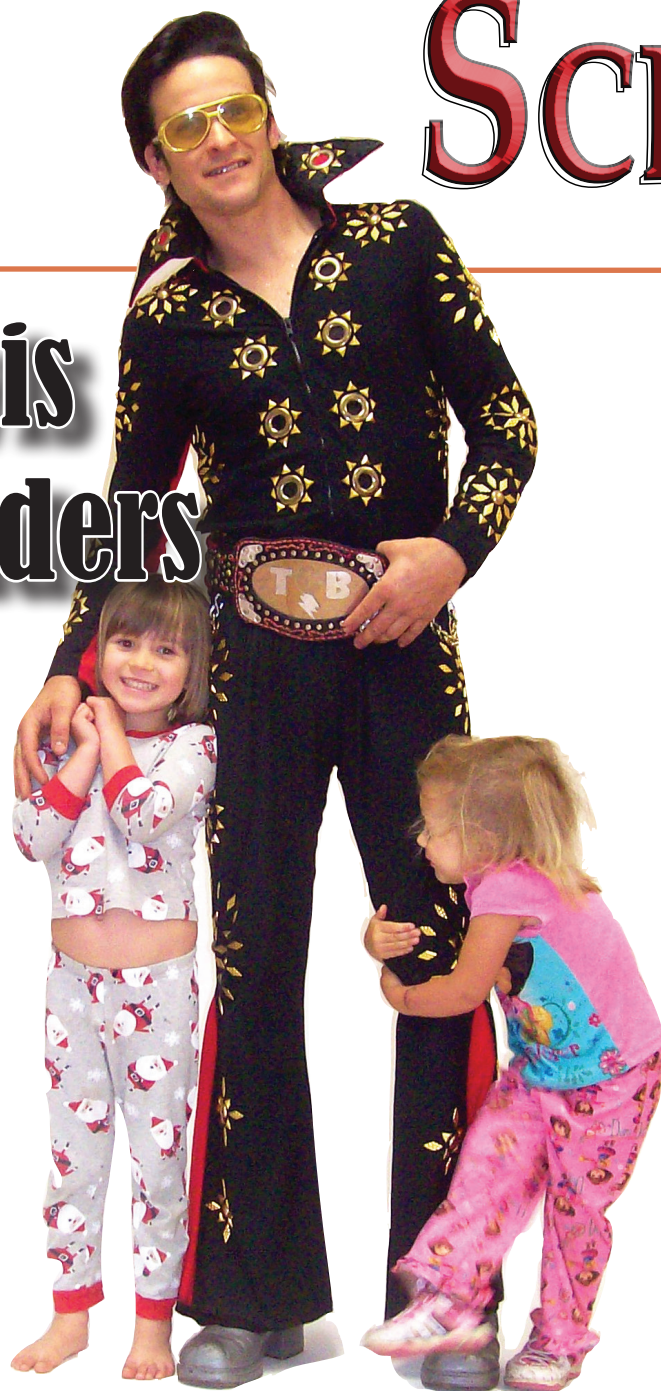
The keyboard player is classically trained but also plays ragtime and Delta style blues. The lead guitar player is a member of so many honky tonk type bands that we've lost count and the drummer has been around the county for so many years we all know him.

The bass player has played in rock and blues bands ditto. They all add up to a jam style band that pays homage to both Bowie and Elvis but transcends those limits. They recently won the Classic Cover contest on The Point radio station and they'll be playing the Logger Bar in Blue Lake on New Year's Eve.

Tim Breed, the Elvis/David Bowie/what-else-guy explained the name of the band. "One of the carpenters on a job I was working went to Kate Wolf and brought back a photograph of a mural on a side of a van, showing Elvis as a many armed Shiva. I hung the photo in my music studio and a friend saw it and said, 'That's a crazy painting,' I said 'It's pretty psychedelic.' The name Psychedelvis came into my head and I said to myself, 'I guess I'm not done'."

Breed had stopped doing his Elvis singing telegrams and playing in a cover band, Elvis and the Hound Dogs, when his daughters were babies. "I wanted to do my own thing, not be somebody else," he said. He'd spent the last few years on the Elvis path but was ready to do the singer/songwriter gig.

It all started on a Halloween in 2005. Breed had dressed as Elvis and was hanging out with friends who finally asked



THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. Psychedelvis and his daughters.
PHOTO BY JANINE VOLKMAR

him to talk like himself again. "OK, Tim," one said, "we get the point. Can you talk like yourself?" He answered in an Elvis voice, "What do you mean? I am talking like myself."

"I didn't let the character go until bedtime," he recalled. "The next morning it hit me. I could learn some songs and do singing telegrams." He took out an ad and did just that, playing various venues such as Applebees, The Palm Cafe in Orick, senior centers, and birthday parties.

"I invested in a white suit from Vintage Avenger and I'd show up and do three songs."

Elvis and the Hound Dogs made their debut at Trinidad Town Hall in a benefit for the Westhaven Volunteer Fire Department. Local ladies made a buffet of all of the favorite foods of Elvis and Tim strolled in, grabbing a "nanner" sandwich on his way to the stage. That's a deep fried peanut butter and banana sandwich to the uninitiated. The band killed it and the screaming in the hall sounded like something from the Fifties. The band stayed together for two years until the bass player went to the East Coast to go to graduate school. Elvis went on hiatus.

"The cover band got boring," Breed said, "and with Psychedelvis we could free it up. I started compiling some karaoke tapes and customizing them. My friend Jason did a treatment on "Suspicious Minds" and I did that with Dee Hemingway. Then I met Turtle and Lizard on a construction site and we got to talking about music."

Soon Psychedelvis and the Rounders was born. It included Breed on vocals and rhythm guitar, Turtle on lead guitar, Lizard on keyboards, Motorhead on bass, and Bob Smith on drums. Smith seemed like too normal of a name for the mix but he was a great drummer, only leaving the band for personal reasons last year.

Chuck Kircher now holds down the drum spot and didn't have to assume a one-word moniker to do it. They've been together for "two years and two months."

PSYCHEDELVIS ♦ A2

ACCOMPLICE ONE



TOMMY EMMANUEL Grammy-nominated guitarist, composer and performer Tommy Emmanuel will perform Wednesday, Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. at the Arkley Center for the Performing Arts, 412 G St. in Eureka. For tickets, visit centerarts.humboldt.edu or call (707) 826-3928. On Jan. 19, Emmanuel will release his next album, *Accomplice One*, a 16-track collaborative album features guest artists Jason Isbell, Mark Knopfler, Rodney Crowell, Jerry Douglas, J.D. Simo, Ricky Skaggs, David Grisman and more.

PHOTO BY ALYSSE GAFKJEN

Tour the lighthouse

Bureau of Land Management, Trinidad Museum and the Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria will open the 1871 Trinidad Head Lighthouse for visitors on Saturday, Jan. 6, from 10 a.m. to noon. The grounds are open throughout the day but tours of the lighthouse itself are limited to the two-hour slot.



TRINIDAD TIDINGS
Patti Fleschner

Park at the trail head at the base of Trinidad Head and walk to the lighthouse.

For information, call Interpretive Specialist Leisyka Parrott at (707) 825-2313 or (707) 677-3816.

Civic Club meeting

Big Lagoon School Superintendent-Principal Jennifer Glueck will be guest speaker at Trinidad Civic Club's Thursday, Jan. 4 meeting in the Club Room, Town Hall.

Dana Hope will preside at the business meeting starting at 10 a.m., during which the latest Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse news will be presented.

Jennifer will be introduced by Program Chair Penne O'Gara at about 11 a.m. Janine Volkmar, Joan Baker and Lena Macy will be hostesses. TCC members and guests welcome.

Music's Magic in the New Year

Inner Center Fine Arts Institute, Inc. Ladies Fine Art Salon presents Music's Magic, on Friday, Jan. 5 at 10 a.m.

Co-founder Donna Haddock will lead the discussion. Call (707) 496-5350 for location of Salon or for more information. There is a \$10 donation suggested. Light refreshments will be provided. More information is available at icfineartsin.org.

Email Patti at baycity@sonic.net.

PSYCHEDELVIS & THE ROUNDUPS

♦ Date & Time

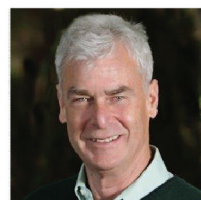
Sunday, Dec. 31 at 9 p.m.

♦ Location: The Logger Bar,
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♦ Admission: Free!



PSYCHEDELVIS & THE ROUNDERS From left, Turtle, Chuck Kircher, Motorhead, Lizard and Tim Breed.
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Looking back & forward

As 2017 comes to a close, we look back at all the great things that have happened throughout the year. The City of Blue Lake has grown through the incredible leadership and partnership between the city and the community.

Some highlights of activities from 2017 are the first of what we plan to be an annual Easter egg hunt at Perigot Park, Annie and Mary Day and the Nessler Car Show in June, the repainting of the Mad River Grange, Dell’Arte and the numerous shows they put on every year, the new holiday tree from the Chamber of Commerce, “A Taste of Blue Lake” night, and of course, the Blue Lake Artisan’s Collective Holiday Market. What a wonderful way to remember the year 2017.

Start off 2018 right with the annual Lucky Lunch on New Year’s Day (Jan. 1, 2018) put on by the Mad River Old Crows group at the Mad River Grange, located at 110 Hatchery Rd., around lunch time.

Getting ready for those New Year’s resolutions? Try something new through Blue Lake Parks and Recreation. Visit bluelake.ca.gov for more information on drop in sports, like pickleball, basketball, volleyball, and youth roller hockey.

Want to join a new group? Try out the Mad River Grange on the second Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. (potluck at 6 p.m.), or maybe you would like to be a part of an informal group where you learn a new craft, or work on one you already know. Purl and Pour is back at the Mad River Brewery Tap Room at 5:15 p.m. on Mondays. This is an informal, but committed group of people who work on their yarn arts: crocheting and knitting, plus laughter and fun!

Maybe losing a few of those holiday pounds are what you are looking for? Check out the Industrial Loop trail that goes behind the brewery, and behind the Power’s Creek District (formerly known as the Blue Lake Business Park), as well as on the levee. This beautiful trail is also dog friendly, but please, don’t forget to pick up after them (bags are available at the trailhead).

Here’s to a new year, and a new Blue Lake. Have a great one!

April Sousa is a Blue Lake resident, member of the Mad River Grange and the Wha-Nika Women’s Club and city clerk for the City of Blue Lake.



❖ BLUE LAKE NOTES
April Sousa

Bowl of Beans Benefit

CITY OF ARCATA

ARCATA – Join us for our 18th Annual Bowl of Beans Benefit on Monday, Jan. 15 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Arcata Community Center, 321 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway. This event honors Dr. King and his good work while benefitting our local youth. Enjoy a dinner of rice and beans from 5 to 6:30 p.m., then performances by Storyteller Baba Jamal Koram, Arcata Interfaith Gospel Choir & Youth Choir, Asha Nan and more.

Admission is \$6 at the door with proceeds benefitting Arcata Recreation’s Youth Development Scholarship Fund for the Arts and Arcata Elementary School’s Art Program. Raffle tickets are available at the event with great prizes donated by local businesses. The event is sponsored by Arcata Elementary and KIEM News Channel 3. For more information, contact the Arcata Recreation Division at (707) 822-7091 or visit our website at cityofarcata.org/rec.

BECOME A DISPATCHER College of the Redwoods will be offering a semester-long Public Safety Dispatch course in the spring of 2018. There are no requirements and there is no prior knowledge needed to take the course. The class will be taught on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, from 6 to 10 p.m. It will be taught by Danah Palmer, a former dispatch supervisor for Eureka Police Department. Following that, she worked for the Oxnard Police Department as a communications manager. She is now working for Tyler Technologies as part of their eLearning and Educational Services team. Students should register for the class, AJ170, Public Safety Dispatcher Basic Course, via the College’s WebAdvisor system at redwoods.edu.

Psychedelvis | A fusion of Elvis, Bowie

❖ FROM B1

Deaths have played a part in the formation of the band. Breed’s brother, Dan, committed suicide this year at the age of 48. “Dan was the inspiration behind Elvis, doing so much for me,” Breed said. “He took it on to get my first actual jumpsuit made and he made a pair of custom shoes for me and did some great artwork for the backdrop.

I had quit after his suicide but Motorhead said ‘You have to keep this up for Dan.’ His spirit is behind the whole thing.”

David Bowie’s death also made an impression on Breed. “I purchased a Time magazine with a large Bowie spread where I read that Bowie shared the same birthday as Elvis. He was also quoted as saying that as a young man he aspired to be ‘Britain’s

Stephenson’s new book is an educational journey

Janine Volkmar

MAD RIVER UNION

TRINIDAD – Susan Stephenson has written four other books on various aspects of Montessori education. One, *No Checkmate: Montessori Chess Lessons for age 3 to 90+* was reviewed here (*Mad River Union*, June 29, 2016) Her new book, *Montessori and Mindfulness*, is the most personal of the bunch.

It follows her life story of pursuing enlightenment, music, art, Buddhism and Montessori principles while traveling to seventy countries. It’s a journey that has taken her from a “lightning” sidewalk experience in India to visiting nomadic herders’ huts in Mongolia, from Asia to South America and back.

Stephenson was asked to give a presentation at the 2017 Association Montessori Internationale Congress in Prague. She spent three months preparing her presentation and then three more months turning it into this charming and insightful book.

It’s a good read for anyone who wants to be more aware in daily life or who is interested in any kind of education, Montessori, or self-growth.

Montessori has been around for more than a hundred years but its message can be summarized as respect for children. Students in Montessori schools are given room to learn at a pace that works for them. Order and harmony are key and the example of everything in its place works for even the youngest child. There’s a happiness and satisfaction in even the smallest task completed with care.

In our hectic and stress-filled world, these principles are a good reminder for adult readers as well.

Stephenson weaves this aspect of her life into her other pursuits of art, music, and religion. Mindfulness is her term for doing each daily task or activity with intention and care, even, one could say, with love.

Whether it is carrying in firewood, as her granddaughter does in the cover painting, writing a book, or just walking, Stephenson writes of the

❖ BOOK REVIEW

need to slow down and focus.

“A few months ago I was walking on a trail not far from our home in Northern California. It was a beautiful day. Suddenly I realized that I was wasting this experience because all I was thinking about was what I had to do when I got home, and what I could have done better the day before and who knows what else. My gaze was down, focused on the path in front of me and my brain was in charge of the day.

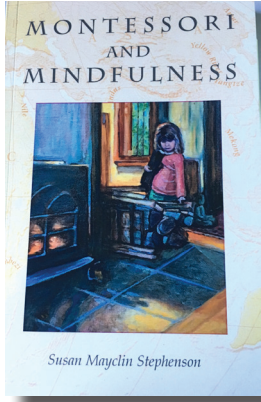
“For some reason just then I decided to mindfully walk as the Vietnamese monk Thich Nhat Hanh teaches. I thought to myself as I slowed down and paid attention to what I was doing. ‘Now I am placing my left foot. Now I am placing my right foot.’ Each step made me more aware of where I was, what day it was, what I was doing.

“Almost instantly I heard sounds of birds and the wind in the trees that I had not been aware of just a few seconds earlier. I could smell the dampness of the moss of the forest...” (pp 89-90.)

Stephenson continues the chapter with references to Einstein’s daily walks and the nonchalance with which villagers in Bhutan walk for three to four hours just to visit friends.

Walking is an important part of her mindfulness path as well as part of Montessori educational practices for children. “Walking the line” is an activity that even small children do in Montessori classrooms, not as punishment or a test but as a peaceful centering activity.

“Work” is another way of speaking of Montessori learning, a word that lends dignity and importance to each activity. A photograph in the book



shows a very young child in a field of flowers, leaning on a little wagon.

“In this picture the child has pushed his wagon quite a long way through a field of mustard flowers. Occasionally he sat down, reached for a flower, examined the color and the texture, sat for a few moments thinking, and then pulled himself up and continued walking. This was his work and no one offered unnecessary help, nor did they interrupt.” (p 161.)

This is a thoughtful and inspiring book, one that speaks in the author’s authentic voice. It started as a speech, after all. It’s not perfect, with some repetition, words missing from sentences that give pause

to a careful reader, and quite a number of typos. After I reminded myself that it had been a presentation, I was able to give myself up to hearing the author’s voice and ultimate sincerity. It would be a great gift to anyone and it is a gift that Stephenson has shared her interesting life with us.

The book is available at All Under Heaven in Arcata and through Michael Olaf, the shop profiled here (*Mad River Union*, Dec. 13, 2017) michaelolaf.net and on Amazon.

Stephenson said many of her books are sold as ebooks to India.

GIRL SCOUTS TO RECYCLE CHRISTMAS TREES

McKinleyville Girl Scout Troop 70181 will be picking up Christmas trees to recycle for donations. Trees must be free of all tinsel and decorations. Pick-ups will begin on Sunday, Dec. 31, Monday, Jan. 1, Tuesday, Jan. 2 and on Saturday, Jan. 6. If you are interested in having your tree picked up to be properly composted, please call Cheryl at (707) 839-3714 after Christmas to select a pick up date. These Girl Scouts are now raising money for their own trip to England.

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MORRIS GRAVES MUSEUM

EUREKA – Visit the Morris Graves Museum of Art on Sunday, Jan. 7 at 2 p.m. for the opportunity to connect with the Artists Who Animate as they guide you through their exhibit which explores many art forms, from historical “pre-film” techniques of moving form – zoetropes and mutoscopes that require hands-on manipulation by viewers to create the moving image while also offering the viewer an understanding of the basic process of animation – to techniques using digital processes to create moving art. Much of the original artwork used in creating the animations will also be exhibited.

Julie McNiel, Amy Uye-ki, Kyle Couture, Brent



ARTISTS WHO ANIMATE Julie McNiel, Amy Uye-ki, Kyle Couture, Brent Noel Eviston and Steven Vander Meer.

SUBMITTED PHOTO

Noel Eviston and Steven Vander Meer will participate in this month’s Art

Talk, and will share parts of their animations. Artists Who Animate cel-

brates diverse approaches, concepts, styles, techniques sure to engage their audience on many levels. The artists will share how their animations were created, and the motivations behind their work.

The Morris Graves Museum of Art, located at 636 F St. in Eureka, is open to the public from noon to 5p.m., Wednesday through Sunday. Admission is \$5 for adults; \$2 for seniors (age 65 and over) and students with ID; children 17 and under free; Museum members are free. Admission is always free for everyone on the first Saturday of every month, including First Saturday Night Arts Alive!, from 6 to 9 p.m. and the Mini Masters reading program, from noon to 2 p.m.

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MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh sponsors a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary **Saturday, Dec. 30** at 2 p.m. Meet leader Barbara Reisman at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-min-

ute walk focusing on the plants, history, and ecology of the Marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. (707) 826-2359



ECO BRIEFS

KINGTIDE WALK On **Monday, Jan. 1** Friends of the Arcata Marsh will be participating in the California Coastal Commission's statewide King Tides event. FOAM board members Elliott Dabill and David Couch and photographer Paul Johnson will lead a special two-hour walk where attendees are encouraged to take photos of the shoreline. Meet on the porch of the Interpretive Center at 10:30 a.m. (the building will be closed for the holiday). (707) 826-2359

MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) is sponsoring a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on **Saturday, Jan. 6** at 2 p.m. Meet leader Elliott Dabill at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing on the ecology of the marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. (707) 826-2359

MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) is sponsoring a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on **Saturday, Jan. 13** at 2 p.m. Meet leader Sharon Levy at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing on the birds, history, and ecology of the Marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. (707) 826-2359



Mary 'Tyke' Esther Solotoff

Mary "Tyke" Esther Solotoff was born Dec. 15, 1925 and died at home after a long illness on Dec. 6, 2017 surrounded by loved ones. She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Barnett Solotoff; her parents, Scott Winfield Homan and Esther Reynold (Atwood Hawley) Homan; her three brothers and many dogs and friends.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Marna (Solotoff) and Michael Powell; her son and daughter-in-law, Myckle and Jill Solotoff; her granddaughter, Jessica Oliver; her cat, Majik; and many great friends.

Known as "Muz" to her children, Mary was one of the most creative and unique individuals to ever walk this planet. Where can one even start to describe her? She painted daisies on her driveway, loved hot air balloon rides, animals, whitewater rafting, parasailing, nature, beaches, travel, making and wearing costumes, playing games or simply socializing.

After retiring from Civil Service in 1985 she and Barnett traveled the U.S. for a year before settling in Fortuna to be near their children. She was a renowned local quilter, often adding the goofiest touches to her quilts or ceramic creations along with her signature "Mary Sol."

She started a Fortuna chapter of the Red Hat Club. She was a zoo docent at Sequoia Park Zoo, NARFE Chapter 608 Secretary for 20 years, Model A club member, frequent traveler with The Heritage Club, TOPS Rio Dell "KOPS" member, and regular "Lunch Bunch" attendee.



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She was also a very cheerful and giving person. She instilled a sense of love and self-esteem in her children that cannot be described. To this day, both believe that they can accomplish any impossible challenge and that they can build or create anything.

Mary made it clear that we are not to have a service. Her ashes will be scattered on private property with those of her husband. In lieu of flowers please donate to Hospice of Humboldt, hospiceofhumboldt.org, or Miranda's Rescue, mirandasrescue.org.

The family wishes to thank Dr. Donald Baird for his loving care and friendship all these years.

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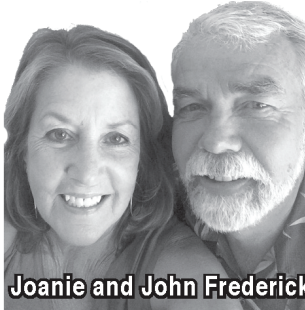
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LEGAL NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

17-00664
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
MOMMA GERTY'S
1602 HAWKES ROAD
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
JOSHUA A. VAN BUSKIRK
1602 HAWKES ROAD
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
TIFFANY R. VAN BUSKIRK
1602 HAWKES ROAD
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
This business is conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE
S/JOSHUA VAN BUSKIRK
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 20, 2017
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK
12/27, 1/3, 1/10, 1/24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

17-00670
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
SATORI WELLNESS
1551 NURSERY WAY STE. C
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
SWCO INC
CALIFORNIA, 4085847
1551 NURSERY WAY STE. A
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION
S/CRAIG NEJEDLY, CEO
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 21, 2017
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK
12/27, 1/3, 1/10, 1/24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

17-00671
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
HIGH GRADE DISTRIBUTION
1551 NURSERY WAY STE. C
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
HGDCO INC
CALIFORNIA, 4085846
1551 NURSERY WAY STE. A
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION
S/CRAIG NEJEDLY, CEO
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 21, 2017
KELLY E. SANDERS
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12/27, 1/3, 1/10, 1/24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

17-00660
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
CALICANN TRACKING & LOGISTICAL SERVICES
1344 UNDERHILL AVENUE
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
P.O.BOX 2269
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
IVY R. LUCCO
1136 UNDERHILL AVENUE
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
SAMANTHA I. GEISEN
120 HIDDEN VALLEY ROAD

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

17-00618
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
ROOTED VITALITY
4705 MELODY COURT
BAYSIDE, CA 95524
P.O. BOX 5315
ARCATA, CA 95518
ALISON R. WELLINGTON
4705 MELODY COURT
BAYSIDE, CA 95524
This business is conducted by: An Individual
S/ALISON R. WELLINGTON, OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on NOV. 22, 2017
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK
12/20, 12/27, 1/3, 1/10

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

17-00655
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
REDWOOD REHEARSAL ROOMS
1355 SAMOA BLVD #4
1160 BOSS ROAD
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
JUSTIN S. WIRTHMAN
1160 BOSS ROAD
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
This business is conducted by: An Individual
S/JUSTIN S. WIRTHMAN, OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 14, 2017
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK
12/20, 12/27, 1/3, 1/10

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

17-00656
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
LOCAL LANDSCAPES
1355 SAMOA BLVD #11
ARCATA, CA 95521
1160 BOSS ROAD
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
S J WIRTHMAN
1160 BOSS ROAD
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
This business is conducted by: An Individual
S/JUSTIN S. WIRTHMAN, OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 14, 2017
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK
12/20, 12/27, 1/3, 1/10

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

17-00636
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

17-00621
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
VITAL FLOW
CLEANSING CENTER
1065 I STREET, SUITE 115
ARCATA, CA 95521
1150 JEFFERSON STREET
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
ASHTON E. WIESNER
1150 JEFFERSON STREET
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
This business is conducted by: An Individual
S/ASHTON E. WIESNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on NOV. 27, 2017
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK
12/13, 12/20, 12/27, 1/3

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

17-00642
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
CRAIGS GARDENING & MAINTENANCE
4992 AIRTREAM AVE
ARCATA, CA 95521
CRAIG R. MILLERBIS
4992 AIRTREAM AVE
ARCATA, CA 95521
This business is conducted by: An Individual
S/CRAIG R MILLERBIS, OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 7, 2017
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK
12/13, 12/20, 12/27, 1/3

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

FOR CHANGE OF NAME
JERRY LYNN URBANUS
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
CASE NO. CV171025
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner JERRY LYNN URBANUS has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: JERRY LYNN URBANUS to Proposed name ARIAL NOVA.
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why

the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: January 16, 2018
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 4
3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: NOV. 20, 2017
s/LEONARD LACASSE
Judge of the Superior Court
12/8, 12/13, 12/20, 12/27

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF

GEORGE JOSEPH HITT
CASE NO.: PR170350
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: GEORGE JOSEPH HITT, AKA GEORGE J. HITT.
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: JAMES HITT in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT. The Petition for Probate requests that: JAMES HITT be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
Date: FEB. 1, 2018
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 6
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501.
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for the petitioner: J. BRYCE KENNY
P.O. BOX 361
TRINIDAD, CA 95570
(707) 442-4431
12/27, 1/3, 1/10

your attorney.

Notice of Public Hearing
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The Public Hearing will be held on January 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at Skinner Store, 111 Greenwood Rd. Blue Lake, CA (behind City Hall).
12/27, 1/3

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF

BURYL LEE LECHUGA
AKA PENNY LECHUGA
CASE NO.: PR170330
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: BURYL LEE LECHUGA AKA PENNY LECHUGA.
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: VICKI DILLARD AND JANETTE LECHUGA in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT. The Petition for Probate requests that: VICKI DILLARD AND JANETTE LECHUGA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
Date: FEB. 1, 2018
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 6
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501.
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for the petitioner: ARTHUR NIELSEN
GALE & NIELSEN
2850 HARRIS STREET
EUREKA, CA 95503
(707) 269-0167
12/13, 12/20, 12/27

CITATION FOR PUBLICATION

UNDER WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE
SECTION 294
Case Name:
VALERIE BROOKE
Case No.: JV170046
1. To Tabetha Brooke, David Bullwinkle, Nicholas Cretsingier and anyone claiming to be a parent of Valerie Brooke born on 2/27/2017 at Mad River Hospital, Arcata, CA.
2. A hearing will be held on March 14, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 7 located at Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501.
3. At the hearing the court will consider the recommendations of the social worker or probation officer.

not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: Jan. 4, 2018
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 4
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
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3. At the hearing the court will consider the recommendations of the social worker or probation officer.

4. The social worker or probation officer will recommend that your child be freed from your legal custody so that the child may be adopted. If the court follows the recommendation, all your parental rights to the child will be terminated. 5. You have the right to be present at the hearing, to present evidence, and you have the right to be represented by an attorney. If you do not have an attorney and cannot afford to hire one, the court will appoint an attorney for you. 6. If the court terminates your parental rights, the order may be final. 7. The court will proceed with this hearing whether or not you are present.
ATTORNEY FOR: CHILD WELFARE SERVICES
JEFFREY S. BLANCK, COUNTY COUNSEL #115447
DEBRA AVENMARG, DEPUTY COUNTY COUNSEL #271366
825 FIFTH STREET
EUREKA, CA 95501
(707) 445-7236
DATE: DEC 06, 2017
Jackson W. Clerk, by Kim L. Bartleson, Deputy
12/13, 12/20, 12/27, 1/3

Notice of Public Hearing

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The Public Hearing will be held on January 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at Skinner Store, 111 Greenwood Rd. Blue Lake, CA (behind City Hall).
12/27, 1/3

CITY OF ARCATA LEGAL NOTICE

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1496
I hereby certify that at a regular meeting held on December 6, 2017, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1496, summarized below, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Arcata Amending the Arcata Municipal Code Pertaining to the Use and Regulation of Cannabis, at which time the reading in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only. Ordinance No. 1497 was passed and adopted at a regular City Council meeting held on December 20, 2017, by the following vote: AYES: Pereira, Watson, Ornelas, Pitino, Winkler. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTENTIONS: None.
APPROVED: Sofia Pereira, Mayor, City of Arcata. ATTEST: Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata.
Summary of Ordinance No. 1497
This ordinance amends the City of Arcata Municipal Code by incorporating exist-

ing in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only. Ordinance No. 1496 was passed and adopted at a regular City Council meeting held on December 20, 2017, by the following vote: AYES: Pereira, Watson, Ornelas, Pitino, Winkler. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTENTIONS: None.
APPROVED: Sofia Pereira, Mayor, City of Arcata. ATTEST: Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata.
Summary of Ordinance No. 1496
This ordinance amends the City of Arcata Land Use Code to standardize the use of the word "cannabis," allow non-medical light-industrial uses in the Medical Marijuana Innovation Zone, and allow a process for existing dispensaries in good standing to conduct non-medical sales.
The full text of Ordinance No. 1496 is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata, California, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The ordinance will take effect on December 20, 2017, BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCATA. Dated: December 20, 2017.
Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata
12/27

CITY OF ARCATA LEGAL NOTICE

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1498
I hereby certify that at a regular meeting held on December 6, 2017, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1498, summarized below, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Arcata Amending the Administrative Citation Procedure of the Municipal Code, at which time the reading in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only. The motion to introduce Ordinance No. 1498 was passed by the following vote: AYES: Pereira, Watson, Ornelas, Pitino, Winkler. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTENTIONS: None.
Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata
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Roo happily tucked away in holiday home

This column is written at the end of the week previous to when it comes out. It is always a challenge to pick which dog should be featured. When I try to be considerate of the editorial staff and get my stories in early, sometimes the featured pups get adopted before their cute faces hit the newsstand! A happy problem, of course, but I hate to miss the chance to feature a dog that does need a home.

Here is a happy ending for the dog that was originally going to be featured for this week. Roo, a bright and eager 2-year-old Pit Bull mix, was one of my favorite dogs at the shelter. He was camping with his people at Prairie Creek Redwoods last September when he somehow got separated from them. They were not able to find him before they had to get back to their home which was out of the area. When Roo was found, the people

were not able to come back and get him. Redwood Pals made a valiant effort to try and reunite him with his family, who were visiting in Redding at that time.

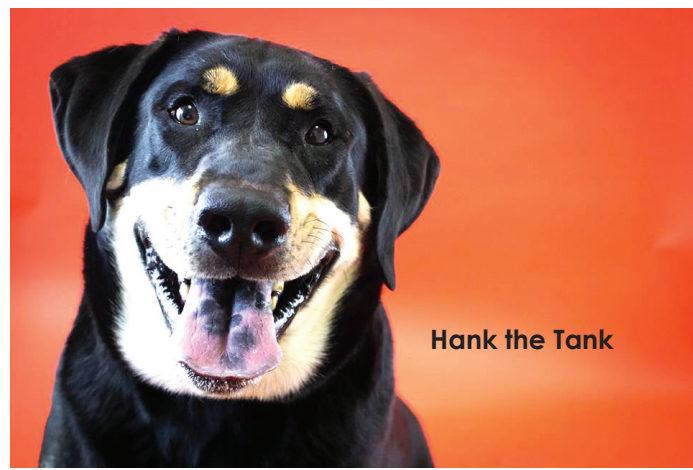
They were having some serious landlord problems when I spoke with them

and just couldn't take him. It was particularly sad when I saw the owner's Facebook page and saw lots of photos of Roo and his family. This

had been a well-loved family dog with children to play with and snuggle.

I am happy to report that between the time I wrote him up in the evening and the time I came back to finish the column the next day, a woman came in and adopted him! I wish that I could get them all adopted by just staying up late and writing about them!

Since Roo is happily tucked in for the holidays at his new home, big Hank gets to be the dog of the week. Hank is a big mixed-breed mutt, estimated to be about six. Here's how one of my fellow volunteers describes him: "Hank is nicknamed 'Hank the Tank' because of his size and solidity, but he's a gentle giant! He gets very animated when it's time to go for a walk, and he is very quick to do his 'business' (he is very housebroken), but beyond that, he seems to believe in conserving energy! He does a beautiful 'sit' and 'shake' but isn't interested in long walks. He would profit from more exercise, and can be prompted to move more with tiny treats. He is very sweet and docile and has a soft thick coat."



Hank the Tank

We also just discovered that Hank seems to be cat-friendly, which is always a plus for adoption. Hank could be a good companion for someone who works and doesn't want to have a young dog getting creative in the house while they are out. Hank is neutered, microchipped and current on vaccinations and is residing at the Humboldt County Animal Shelter, located at 980 Lycoming Ave. in McKinleyville. More information is available at (707) 840-9132.

Hank and his cohorts are all being offered at very reduced fees through at least the end of the year in an attempt to keep the shelter population numbers down.

There has been more discussion lately in the media about how to address the problem of too many animals coming into the shelter. Definitely a topic to continue to explore in the new year. Some happy news on that front: Humboldt Spay Neuter has reported that they have finally found a new full-time vet and will be able to both continue their current services with cats and be able to start moving forward with planning how to assist with dogs also.

The quiet partners in addressing the problem

of an overcrowded shelter and keeping the euthanasia rates very low are the rescue groups, of which Redwood Pals Rescue is the primary one at the county shelter.

I have lost track of exactly how many dogs we have pulled out and placed in foster or adoptive homes in the last few months. It is not an easy process and we are very grateful for our supporters who help by taking in foster dogs or supporting us financially. With interest rates so low, foundation grants seem to be a little less for the coming year. If dog rescue tugs at your heart strings, consider an end of the year donation to Redwood Pals Rescue.

I can promise that it will save a life! For more information please email us at redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com or call (707) 839-9692. Thank you and have a safe and happy new year!

P.S. Remember to keep your dogs and cats secured inside before the New Year's Eve fireworks and gun shots start.

It can be a scary time for pets and we want them to be as safe as possible. Talk your vet if your pet has a very stressful reaction to the noises.

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HAPPY FEET Members of the Arcata Bottom 4-H Club recently donated new shoes and jackets to Northcoast Children's Services, which will distribute them to low-income children enrolled in Head Start, preschool and other child care programs. The 4-H club holds fundraisers throughout the year to fund this project. Club members then go shopping for shoes and jackets during an outing or two.

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